

1 clause which is the last sentence of that, the county
2 may exercise such tax powers as may be granted to it by
3 law and may continue to exercise any tax powers --
4 Referring specifically to the words "power to tax" or
5 "tax powers" and also referring to the same language
6 as used in the State Finance and Taxation grandfather
7 clause which is 8.01(b), taxing powers as it is used
8 there, I think -- The question is, is it clear that the
9 reservation of the taxing power and also the reference
10 to taxing powers which the sub-divisions now have or the
11 counties now have includes the power to grant exemptions
12 from tax. I take it the answer is yes?

13 DELEGATE CASE: I wish it were as clear as
14 you and I would like to see it. I think it is, but I
15 have heard ^{some} ~~sume~~ dissent.

16 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Moser?

17 DELEGATE MOSER: I was hopeful that we might
18 get a clear statement that by the uses of these terms we
19 intend to reserve to the State, not -- Well, the power to
20 grant the power to tax to the sub-divisions and along
21 with it the power to grant exemptions by the sub-divisions.